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SUBJECT: SUGAR: 11TH SESSION INTERNATIONAL SUGAR  
COUNCIL, DECEMBER 6TH

REF: STATE 225729

1. ONLY SUBSTANTIVE ITEM ON AGENDA OF ISC WAS ADOPTION OF PROVISIONAL BUDGET. THERE WAS RELATIVELY LITTLE DEBATE ON BUDGET AND RELATED QUESTIONS, AND BUDGET ADOPTED ROUTINELY.
2. UNDER "OTHER BUSINESS", DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (POLITOFF) REPORTED THAT AS OF MORNING DECEMBER 6, ONLY GUATEMALA, PANAMA, PORTUGAL AND YUGOSLAVIA HAD SIGNED EXTENSION OF INTERNATIONAL SUGAR AGREEMENT, AND NO COUNTRIES HAD AS YET DEPOSITED INSTRUMENTS OF ACCEPTANCE OR RATIFICATION. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SUPPORTED BY SEVERAL DELEGATIONS, URGED MEMBERS TO DO THEIR UTMOST TO PERSUADE THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO SIGN AND RATIFY QUICKLY.
3. ALSO UNDER "OTHER BUSINESS", EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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(JONES-PARRY) OUTLINED BRIEFLY RESULTS OF GENEVA

CONFERENCE. HE URGED MEMBERS TO THINK THROUGH AGAIN FUNDAMENTAL PROBLEMS THAT HAD SURFACED AT THE GENEVA CONFERENCE, ESPECIALLY QUESTIONS OF PURCHASE COMMITMENT AND SUPPLY COMMITMENT, WHICH, ALONG WITH QUOTAS AND PRICE ISSUES, HAD BLOCKED THE CONFERENCE. HE SUPPORTED IN THIS REQUEST BY SEVERAL DELEGATIONS INCLUDING MEXICO, MAURITIUS AND AUSTRALIA. MEXICO (LAJOUS), IN COURSE OF STATEMENT, REMARKED THAT U.S. SUGAR PROGRAM MAY BE FUNDAMENTALLY REVISED. FIVE MILLION TONS PURCHASED UNDER PREFERENTIAL SYSTEM MAY BE SOUGHT FROM THE FREE MARKET. HE DESCRIBED THIS AS POTENTIALLY EXTREMELY GRAVE SITUATION AND REMARKED THAT IT CONSTITUTED "THREAT" BY USG. THIS POINT WAS ALSO MADE BY DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

4. U.S. OBSERVER DELEGATE (YORK) ASKED FOR FLOOR AND MADE BRIEF STATEMENT FOR BENEFIT THOSE DELEGATES NOT AS FAMILIAR WITH U.S. SUGAR PROGRAM AS MEXICO. HE STATED THAT U.S. SUGAR PROGRAM INCORPORATED IN DOMESTIC LEGISLATION WHICH EXPIRES DECEMBER 31, 1974. THE ADMINISTRATION WILL BE SUBMITTING PROPOSALS ON LEGISLATION IN FUTURE, BUT THESE PROPOSALS NOT YET FORMULATED BY ADMINISTRATION. WHEN ADMINISTRATION'S PROGRAM PUT FORWARD, IT WILL BE CAREFULLY CONSIDERED BY CONGRESS WHICH MAY POSSIBLY MODIFY IT EITHER IN DETAIL OR IN SUBSTANCE. IN SHORT, IT INAPPROPRIATE TO TALK OF ANY "THREAT" TO WORLD FREE MARKET IN SUGAR. ADMINISTRATION HAS NOT YET FORMULATED ITS PROGRAM; CONGRESS HAS NOT YET CONSIDERED IT.

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